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## Cool Summer Dresses

Reduced to  
**\$3.98**

Unquestionably the daintiest, most beautiful  
Dresses we have yet shown at the price.

Consider them for a few moments at close  
range, and you'll agree that, in value or style  
attractiveness, there are none comparable  
with these elsewhere.

See, too, the excellence of materials, and  
how well made and finished these Dresses are,  
and you'll better appreciate how wonderful  
this offer is.

Dresses of lovely striped and flowered  
voiles, check and plaid linens and other popular  
materials, in colors and all white.

There's a big lot of these Dresses, and they  
all go on sale Tuesday morning—choice,  
**\$3.98.** Women who like to have lots of pretty  
frocks will be quick to see in this AN OPPOR-  
TUNITY TOO GOOD TO MISS!

## Also, Special

A lot of Women's Summer Dresses, of  
flowered voile and striped materials, made  
in pretty Eton effects; various  
colors; all reduced to... **\$2.98**

## Women's Suits

Small lot of stylish English Worsteds Suits  
and Linen Suits, in models suitable for im-  
mediate and early fall. All re-  
duced for quick clearance to... **\$10.00**

**Miller & Rhoads**

GETS ONE YEAR FOR TRYING  
TO STEAL ELECTRIC AUTO

Marion Strayhorn Pleads in Hustings  
Court Guilty to Grand Larceny  
Charge.

Marion Strayhorn pleaded guilty in  
the Hustings Court yesterday to  
the grand jury indictment charging him  
with stealing an automobile belonging  
to S. W. Fleishman, and was  
sentenced by Judge Richardson to  
serve one year in the penitentiary.

The attempted theft occurred on May  
25, shortly after the accident in which  
the electric, driven by Miss Kate Trau-  
erman, knocked James Floyd Oliver to  
the ground near Seventh and Broad  
Streets. Miss Traerman went into a  
nearby store to telephone the garage to  
send after the car. Within a few min-  
utes Strayhorn appeared. He told  
Miss Traerman that he was sent from  
the garage, secured from her the key  
and drove off.

Driving the stolen car, Strayhorn  
was sighted by a man sent from the  
garage in response to Miss Traerman's  
request. He boarded the moving car,  
and as he did so Strayhorn stopped  
the car and slipped the key. He was  
arrested and charged with the theft.  
The grand jury returned a true bill,  
charging grand larceny, to which  
charge Strayhorn yesterday pleaded  
guilty.

## GULLETT ACQUITTED

Held Not Guilty of Theft of Motor Car  
of Abraham Jacobs.

Charles Gullett, charged with un-  
lawfully using an automobile belonging  
to Abraham Jacobs, was dismissed yester-  
day morning in Police Court.

The hearing of Andrew Reed, col-  
ored, charged with violation of the  
automobile speed law, was continued to  
this morning.

The hearing of Robert Johnson, col-  
ored, charged with smiting Martha  
Wash, with what is believed to be a  
blackjack, was postponed to July 15, so  
as to allow Martha time in which to  
recover from the injury.

S. Francini, charged with assault-  
ing A. L. Toter, was fined \$10, and on  
a charge of laboring at his trade on  
the Sabbath he was fined \$5. He noted  
an appeal. Toter was acquitted of the  
charge of fighting.

Jailed for Assault.  
Robert Davis, colored, indicted for  
feloniously assaulting Alonzo Ware,  
also colored, was tried yesterday in  
the Henrico Circuit Court, and fined  
\$10 and sent to jail for four months.  
Davis is said to have cut Ware in  
several places.

TWO BOYS CHARGED WITH  
THEFT OF AUTOMOBILE

Turned Over to City Police by Henrico  
County Authorities, Who  
Made Arrests.

Thomas McCauley, who was arrested  
Saturday night by Chief T. Wilson  
Seay and Policeman J. F. Shomaker,  
of Henrico, charged with stealing an  
automobile at Ninth and Grace Streets,  
was yesterday turned over to the city  
authorities by Magistrate H. S. Sun-  
day. Raymond Sheppard, who was said  
to have been with McCauley on the  
night of the arrest, was brought in by  
his father and also turned over to the  
city authorities.

The automobile party was sighted  
by the county officers on the Darby-  
town Road, about three miles from the  
city. The cases will be heard this  
morning in Police Court.

## REPORTS LOSS OF \$356

Actress at Local Theater Tells Police  
Her Savings Are Gone.

Lamenting the unexplainable loss of  
\$356, which, being pocketless, she had  
carried about with her in her hose,  
Miss Grace Fisher, who is appearing  
this week on the Lyric's bill, yester-  
day afternoon asked the police to aid  
her in finding the missing money. De-  
tective Sergeant Willy was assigned to  
the case, but was unable to discover  
any clue which would lead to the re-  
covery of the lost coin.

Miss Fisher, with her mother, is  
stopping at Murphy's Hotel. She went  
from the hotel to the theater, and  
there, in her dressing-room, found that  
her money was gone. She could not  
understand how it could have dropped  
from her stocking, and Sergeant Willy  
was equally at a loss. However, every  
effort will be made to aid the young  
woman in recovering her hard-earned  
savings.

## LABOR LAW VIOLATIONS

Two Convictions Secured by State In-  
spectors in Portsmouth.

Two convictions for violations of the  
State labor laws were obtained in  
Portsmouth by the State Department  
of Labor, according to a report re-  
ceived from Industrial Inspector J. A.  
Clinebush by Labor Commissioner  
Doherty yesterday.

The cases were tried in the Ports-  
mouth Police Court. Mahoney & Co.,  
wholesale liquor dealers, convicted of  
violating the ten-hour law, paid a fine  
of \$5, with costs added, and a similar  
fine was imposed upon Brooks, Parker  
& Co., Inc., convicted of violating the  
sanitary law.

CARROLL COUNTY RESENTS  
ERRONEOUS STATEMENTS

Chairman of Local Board of Re-  
view Issues Statement as to  
Assessments.

## INCREASE OF 92 CENTS ACRE

Some Mountain Craggs of Little or No  
Value Are Assessed at Low Fig-  
ures—Answers Newspaper Critics  
of His County.

R. G. Wilkinson, chairman of the  
Local Board of Review for Carroll  
County, in a communication received  
at the Capitol yesterday, protests  
strongly against recently published re-  
ports telling of an alleged decrease in  
the assessments for taxes for this year  
in that county.

The publication to which Mr. Wilkin-  
son files objection appeared in several  
newspapers in other parts of the  
State and one in this city. The chair-  
man of the board submits that an in-  
justice has been done to the county and  
to the tax officers alike.

At some length Mr. Wilkinson ex-  
plains conditions in Carroll County and  
makes a very creditable showing for  
Carroll. He explains that his objections  
to the mass of misinformation that  
has been published affecting Car-  
roll County assessments is filed "in  
justice to the citizens of the southern  
district of Carroll in particular."

CHAIRMAN OF REVIEW BOARD  
ISSUES SIGNED STATEMENT

His statement reads as follows:  
Hillsville, Va., July 10, 1915.

A recent news item stated that the  
assessed values of property in the  
southern district of Carroll County are  
\$12,645 smaller this year than they  
were last year, and that the average  
assessment of land per acre in that  
district is \$1.85; that much of the land  
is assessed as low as \$1 per acre; that  
some of the buildings there are as-  
sessed at \$3; and that a majority of  
the buildings in that district are as-  
sessed at less than \$100 per acre. I  
feel that a correction is due to a por-  
tion of this statement, and also an ex-  
planation. This district lies to the  
south of the summit of the Blue Ridge  
Mountain, and is bounded on the south  
by the North Carolina State line. The  
east end of the district is some ten  
miles wide, and it runs to a point at  
the west end, the length being some-  
thing over twenty miles. There has  
long been a conflict of land titles in  
this district, arising out of certain  
ancient grants, and for years past much  
more land has been carried on the land  
books of the county than there actually  
is. The recent assessment of the  
lands in that district has in a great  
measure corrected this confusion by  
striking from the list the lands which  
are not in the county. The average  
assessment per acre in that district  
for 1914 was \$1.35, while the  
recent assessment (1915) is \$2.27 per  
acre, an increase of 92 cents per acre.

Now as to the low assessment of  
lands in that district. It must be re-  
called that the southern slope of the Blue  
Ridge Mountain for a distance of more  
than twenty miles is there included.  
From the summit to the foothills of the  
mountain would perhaps average two  
miles, making an area of some 25,000  
acres, the great bulk of which is crags  
and rocky mountain sides. Much of  
this land has been stripped of what-  
ever timber and timber it once con-  
tained, and is worth but little, and con-  
sequently is assessed at low figures.

As to the low assessment of build-  
ings in the district, it may be said that  
many people have found homes in the  
mountain region by appropriating the  
caves and small spots and patches of  
land that can be cultivated by a man  
with a hoe. There is often seen among  
these people some rather cozy and com-  
fortable cabins, but many of them are  
quite rude and cheap in their struc-  
ture, and add but little if anything to  
the value of the land upon which they  
stand. The southern is a small district,  
yet small in the county, and the  
area of land there, after passing the  
mountain region, is small. This as a  
matter of course makes the average of  
assessed values small in the district. It  
is believed that the assessments in the  
southern district are, as to values, uni-  
form with the assessments of the other  
districts where the lands are much  
more valuable and are assessed much  
higher. It has been the earnest de-  
votion of all of the officials concerned  
to make the assessments, as to value,  
equal and uniform in all parts of the  
county.

(Signed) R. G. WILKINSON,  
Chairman Local Board of Review.

## Hearing Is Continued.

The hearing of Henry Stratton and  
Edward Wade, charged with operating  
a gambling-house near Oakwood Cem-  
etery, was continued in Police Court  
yesterday morning by Magistrate C. C.  
to allow the complaining officers more  
time in which to collect and present  
their evidence. Beer, poker chips and  
a table were confiscated by the police,  
and the hearing was continued. Col-  
ored yesterday morning as evidence against  
the two men, and seven others were  
alleged to have been gambling at the  
time the house was raided.

## Sent to Grand Jury.

Rosetta Nelson, colored, was tried  
yesterday by Magistrate H. S. Sunday  
for breaking into the store of Katie  
Scott, also colored, and stealing goods  
valued at \$5, and sent on to the grand  
jury. She was bailed for her appear-  
ance at the October term of court.

The Morning You Leave  
for California

will you have the satisfaction of knowing that your  
valuable papers and jewelry are SECURE?

Our SAFE DEPOSIT VAULT will assure you of pro-  
tection from theft or fire while you are away.  
COME TO US FOR SECURITY AND SERVICE.

## The American National Bank

OF RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

Capital and Surplus, \$1,600,000.

MAKE COMPANY REBUILD  
TRACKS ON EAST BROAD

Committee Recommends Ordinance  
Rescinding Release Clause in  
Rerouting Measure.

## HIRSCHBERG URGES ACTION

Says Railway and Power Company  
Will Not Reconstruct Tracks Un-  
til Rerouting Ordinance Granting  
Temporary Relief Is Amended.

By a vote of 4 to 1 the Council Street  
Committee yesterday recommended to  
the Council for passage an ordinance  
rescinding that section of the rerouting  
ordinance passed last March, which re-  
lieved the Virginia Railway and Power  
Company temporarily from its fran-  
chise obligation to reconstruct the  
tracks on East Broad Street eastwardly  
from Twenty-fourth.

The action was taken over the pro-  
test of Alderman Puller, who thought  
that the committee should take no ac-  
tion in a matter as important as this  
until the power company had been  
given an opportunity to be heard. While  
he would probably vote for the com-  
mittee's recommendation, he was un-  
willing to recommend it to the Council  
for passage before hearing the com-  
pany's side.

HIRSCHBERG REVIEWS  
CONTROVERSY OVER PAVING

John Hirschberg, of the Adminis-  
trative Board, reviewed the history of  
the East Broad Street controversy from  
September, 1914, when the board  
awarded to the Virginia Railway and  
Power Company a contract for lay-  
ing a monolithic pavement on that  
street from Twenty-fourth to Thirty-  
second Streets.

Mr. Hirschberg told of repeated let-  
ters that had been written to the com-  
pany, asking that it reconstruct its  
tracks on Broad Street east of Twenty-  
fourth, in order that the city may pro-  
ceed with the paving. To these let-  
ters Mr. Hirschberg said the company  
replied, in effect, that the rerouting  
ordinance temporarily relieved it from  
doing this construction, and that it  
would have no objection to the city  
complying at this time with the board's  
request.

The reconstruction of the track be-  
tween Twenty-fourth and Thirty-second  
Streets, and the paving between  
the tracks and two feet from the outer  
rails, the company estimated, would  
cost about \$30,000. Since, in its peti-  
tion for a new franchise, it asked that  
the city should be relieved of the com-  
pany's obligation to reconstruct the  
company took the position that a final  
disposition of the franchise matter  
should be awaited before it is forced  
to undertake an expensive reconstruc-  
tion which may in the end be useless.

JONES AND SULLIVAN  
FOUR IMMEDIATE ACTION

Councilman Jones and Sullivan told  
the committee that they voted for the  
rerouting ordinance it was their pur-  
pose to relieve the company merely  
from the necessity of operating its  
tracks on the dangerous Broad Street  
hills, and that it was not their in-  
tention to relieve it from any of its  
franchise obligations as regards recon-  
struction or paving east of Twenty-  
fourth.

Mr. Hirschberg described the con-  
ditions on East Broad Street as de-  
plorable. The whole stretch, he said,  
has been provided with new under-  
ground installations, and the granite  
blocks that have been removed have  
not been put back, since it was the  
board's expectation to begin work soon  
on the smooth paving. It would cost  
nothing, he said, to replace the  
blocks and put the street back in a  
passable condition.

PULLER URGES MEMBERS  
TO HEAR FROM COMPANY

Alderman Puller admitted the  
strength of the argument, but wanted  
to hear a statement from the Virginia  
Railway and Power Company as to its  
intentions in the matter. Councilman  
Sullivan thought that the company's  
letters to the Administrative Board  
gave ample information on this point,  
and that no reason was delaying the  
committee's recommendation.

On the motion of Councilman Jones  
to recommend the ordinance for pas-  
sage the vote stood: ayes, Jones, Sul-  
livan, Ellis and Butler; noes, Alder-  
man Puller.

The committee recommended for pas-  
sage an amended ordinance authoriz-  
ing the closing of Loumar Avenue from  
Broad to Clay Street, on condition that  
property owners, at whose request the  
street is closed, dedicate sufficient land  
to open up Clay Street from Tilden  
Street to Loumar Avenue. The ordi-  
nance had been recommended for the  
purpose of amending the sections deal-  
ing with the compensating dedications.

An ordinance was recommended for  
passage establishing the building line  
on the south side of Marshall Street,  
between Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth  
Streets, thirteen feet south of the prop-  
erty line. A petition for such a line  
was filed with the committee by a  
majority of the property owners on the  
block.

## STATE COMMITTEE CALLED

Will Meet Here Saturday to Consider  
Norfolk County Petition.

State Democratic Chairman J. Taylor  
Elyson yesterday afternoon issued a  
call for a meeting of the Democratic  
Executive Committee to be held at  
Murphy's Hotel next Saturday after-  
noon at 2 o'clock. The stated object  
of the meeting is to consider a peti-  
tion from Norfolk, asking that a primary  
be ordered for Norfolk County for the  
selection of county officers and mem-  
bers of the Norfolk County Democratic  
Committee. The petition is signed by  
a majority of the members of the  
county committee.

## Our One-Third Off Reduction Sale

Is decreasing our stock of Woolen Suits.

Every fine suit in the house is now on sale at

**33 per cent discount**

With the suit, select one of our \$1.39 Straw Hats, \$2.50, \$3 and  
\$3.50 values.

**Gans-Rady Company**

MUST ASSESS LAND AT  
FAIR MARKET VALUE

No Other Method of Appraising  
Allowed by Law, Writes  
Auditor Moore.

## WRITES TO BOARDS OF REVIEW

Constitution and Statute Law Both  
Require Real Estate to Be As-  
sessed at Real Sale Value, in All  
Parts of State.

It is the duty of local boards of re-  
view to see that assessments are made  
"at a fair market value." No other  
method of appraising property for  
taxes is permitted by the new tax  
laws.

Such is the instruction given to the  
chairmen of different boards and land  
assessors who have applied to him for  
information after encountering objec-  
tions in their respective counties  
against assessments made contrary to  
the easy-going, indulgent customs of  
the past by which the Commonwealth  
suffered the loss of millions of dol-  
lars to which it was justly entitled.

That many taxpayers who have heret-  
ofore succeeded in evading the greater  
part of their lawful taxes should be  
prieved when called upon to meet the  
law's requirements is the natural and  
expected thing. The State Auditor  
takes a firm stand. He admonishes the  
assessors that they are expected to  
perform the duties which are  
made plain to them in the text of the  
laws.

MOORE WRITES TO CHAIRMAN  
OF LOCAL TAX BOARDS

Mr. Moore's instructions are con-  
veyed in a letter written yesterday,  
which reads as follows:

Richmond, July 12, 1915.  
Dear Sir:—I have your letter of the  
eighth instant in regard to the as-  
sessment of real estate in the County  
of... I am sending copy  
of your letter to the chairmen of the  
local boards of review for... and  
Counties.

I can only advise you that both the  
Constitution and the statute law of the  
State require real estate to be assessed  
at its fair market value. These re-  
quirements apply to real estate in all  
counties and cities of the Common-  
wealth, and the assessing officers  
throughout the Commonwealth should  
all, in discharging their duties, make  
the assessments in accordance with  
the requirements of the Constitution  
and the statute law.

Local boards of review throughout  
the Commonwealth should see that as-  
sessment is made at fair market  
value, because the act creating these  
boards and the State Advisory Board  
on Taxation directs the State board to  
investigate at any time assessments,  
and when they are found to be unjust  
or unreasonable to recommend cor-  
rections of the same in the manner  
provided by law.

Yours very truly,  
(Signed) C. LEE MOORE,  
Secretary State Advisory  
Board of Taxation.

WOULD FURNISH MILITIA  
WITH SEVERAL AIRSHIPS

Allan A. Ryan, of New York and  
Virginia, Takes Part in  
Movement.

## ASK CONGRESS FOR \$5,000,000

Militia of Several States Has Already  
Been Supplied With Aeroplanes  
for Use in Connection With Mil-  
itary Operations.

Correspondence has been received at  
the office of Adjutant-General Sale,  
relative to the plan of the Aero Club  
of America to provide military aero-  
planes for the militia organizations of  
the United States. Several wealthy  
Virginians residing in New York City  
are interested in the movement, and  
are anxious to see the Virginia Vol-  
unteers secure one machine. Allan A.  
Ryan, son of Thomas F. Ryan, of Vir-  
ginia and New York, is one of the  
governors of the Aero Club.

Through the efforts of the Aero Club  
machines have already been provided  
for the instruction of members of the  
militia of New York, Connecticut, Ohio  
and several other States as well as  
for the naval militia of New York. The  
service of its instructors without  
charge.

A campaign has been started to se-  
cure an appropriation of \$5,000,000  
from Congress to be used for the pur-  
chase of aeroplanes for the militia of  
the States. Because of the prominent part  
being played by aircraft in the Euro-  
pean war, the scheme has received  
more than ordinary consideration from  
the War Department and from militia  
heads throughout the country.

The Aero Club is also working with  
the authorities of the War Department  
to secure an appropriation of \$5,000,000  
to purchase aeroplanes for the regular  
army, and with the Navy Department  
to get \$7,000,000 for the same pur-  
pose in this branch of the service. An  
aerial day at the Panama-Pacific Ex-  
position has given the movement an  
impetus.

Copies of the order issued by the  
Governor of California permitting the  
Richmond Light Infantry Blues to enter  
that State have been received at the  
Adjutant-General's office. The time for  
the Virginia militia to remain in  
California is unlimited by the order.  
Announcement is also made of the  
death at his home in San Francisco  
of Brigadier-General Edgar Alexander  
Forbes, adjutant-general of California.

Master Signal Electrician Archibald  
C. Boissac and First-Class Sergeant  
Gordon C. Kelly, of Type D, Field  
Company, Signal Corps, have been  
ordered to report at Virginia Beach  
July 15 to install a telephone system  
at the Rifle Range, in preparation for  
the opening of the rifle camps of in-  
struction July 18.

Notices have been received at the  
Adjutant-General's office of the meet-  
ing of the Southern Rifle Association  
in Florida in October, and of the  
twenty-fifth annual rifle tournament at  
Seagriff, N. J., September 9-15.

ASKS FOR NEW AMBULANCE  
TO MEET DIRE EMERGENCY

Administrative Board Wants Coun-  
cil to Make Immediate \$3,500  
Appropriation.

## PATROL CAR NOT AVAILABLE

Accident on Wednesday Disabled  
Hospital's Only Helper, Leaving  
Single Remaining Auto Ambulance  
to Protect Enlarged City.

With only one travel-worthy ambu-  
lance available with which to take  
care of the emergency cases of the Vir-  
ginia Hospital, the Administrative Board  
yesterday passed a resolution requesting  
the Council to make an emergency  
appropriation of \$3,500 for the imme-  
diate purchase of an additional automo-  
bile ambulance.

The situation was described yester-  
day as critical. Until the accident last  
Wednesday that put out of commission  
one of the patrol wagons which had  
been loaned by the Police Department  
for hospital service, the Virginia Hos-  
pital had relied upon this help to assist  
in handling accidents when the regu-  
lar ambulance was on another assign-  
ment.

Chief of Police Werner advised the  
hospital yesterday that since one of  
the patrol wagons is now out of com-  
mission, the Police Department will not  
be able for the present to permit the  
use of the only other patrol remaining  
for hospital purposes. The car has to  
be available for police duty at all  
times.

## EMERGENCY CASES

GROW IN NUMBER  
Emergency cases requiring the ser-  
vices of the ambulance have been un-  
usually numerous this year. Fre-  
quently the Virginia Hospital has been  
compelled to commandeer private con-  
veyances to bring patients in when the  
ambulance and patrol car were out on  
assignments. In the past few weeks  
the number of cases of this character  
has steadily increased, and an addi-  
tional ambulance is declared to be an  
absolute necessity.

On Wednesday, when the patrol  
wagon was requisitioned to bring in a  
would-be suicide, the regular ambu-  
lance was answering a call in Wood-  
land Heights. In emergency cases of  
this character, it is pointed out, it is  
extremely important that help be re-  
ndered at once, and this assistance can-  
not be promptly extended without ade-  
quate ambulance facilities.

The recent annexation, by almost  
doubling the corporate area of the city,  
has multiplied the difficulties of the  
ambulance service. Calls are fre-  
quently to a distant part of the an-  
nexed territory, diminishing the abili-  
ty of a single ambulance to take care  
of numerous assignments.

## AMUSEMENTS

## BIJOU—Now Playing

Matinee Wednesday and Saturday

## THE DEVIL

First Time at Bijou Prices.  
PRICES: 25, 35, 50 CENTS.

## STRAND

ALL THIS WEEK.

11 A. M., 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 P. M.

## "The Christian"

By Hall Caine.

800 feet of film and 500 scenes,  
3,000 people.

STRAND ORCHESTRA.

As Played in New York Theater at \$1.

Lower Floor, Adults, 20c; Children, 10c.

Balcony, all seats, 10c.

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Only Theater Presenting  
First Run Paramount  
Pictures.

Accorded the Distinction of Being the  
Greatest Picture Service in the Entire  
World.

—TO-DAY—

The Winner of the New York Tele-  
graph Popularity Contest.

MYRTLE STEADMAN,  
IN

The Greatest Screen Success in the City

## "The Wild Olive"

ALL SEATS, 10 CENTS.

## The Confederate Museum

TWELFTH AND CLAY STREETS.

Open 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.